Emergency Financial Manager of the City of Ecorse (Directive No. 006)

ORDER OF THE EMERGENCY FINANCIAL MANAGER OF THE CITY OF ECORSE, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN, RESCINDING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING SIGNED AUGUST 26, 2009 BETWEEN THE CITY OF ECORSE AND ECORSE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION LOCAL 684.

WHEREAS, under the Local Government Fiscal Responsibility Act, Act 72, Public Acts of Michigan, 1990, as amended ("Act 72") and a Contract (the "Contract") between the State of Michigan and Joyce A. Parker, dated October 30, 2009, Joyce A. Parker has been appointed as the Emergency Financial Manager (the "EFM") of the City of Ecorse, County of Wayne, Michigan (the "City") and charged with the power to take actions with respect to the City, including the power to exercise the authority and responsibilities of the Mayor, as the Chief Administrative Officer of the City, and of the City Council, as the governing body of the City, concerning the adoption, amendment and enforcement of ordinances or resolutions affecting the financial condition of the City as provided in the Home Rule City Act, Act 279, Public Acts of Michigan, 1909, as amended ("Act 279"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Act 72 and the Contract, the EFM, as the Chief Administrative Officer of the City, is authorized to, among other things, make, approve, or disapprove any appropriation, contract, expenditure, or loan for the City as she may deem necessary within her sole discretion to accomplish the purposes of Act 72; and

WHEREAS, the EFM has determined it is in the best financial interest of the City and necessary to accomplish the purposes of Act 72 and the financial plan of the EFM, to rescind the Memorandum of Understanding dated August 26, 2009 between the City of Ecorse and Ecorse Firefighters Association Local 684.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE EMERGENCY FINANCIAL MANAGER OF THE CITY OF ECORSE, PURSUANT TO ACT 72 AND THE CONTRACT, THAT:

- 1. Rescinding the Memorandum of Understanding. The EFM hereby determines that it is necessary and in the best financial interests of the City to rescind the Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the Ecorse Firefighters Association Local 684. Pursuant to the authority granted her under Act 72 and the Contract, the EFM hereby rescinds the Memorandum of Understanding, effective December 21, 2009 with Ecorse Firefighters Association Local 684.
- 2. Repeal. All orders of the EFM, resolutions of the City council of the City, and parts of resolutions or orders in conflict with this Order are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SO ORDERED this 21st day of December, 2009.

Joyce A. Parker Emergency Financial Manager City of Ecorse

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

City of Ecorse County of Wayne, State of Michigan

WHEREAS, under the Local Government Fiscal Responsibility Act, Act 72, Public Acts of Michigan, 1990, as amended ("Act 72") and a Contract (the "Contract") between the State of Michigan and Joyce A. Parker, dated October 30, 2009, Joyce A. Parker has been appointed as the Emergency Financial Manager (the "Emergency Financial Manager") of the City of Ecorse, County of Wayne, Michigan (the "City") and charged with the power to take actions with respect to the City, including the power to exercise the authority and responsibilities of the Mayor, as the chief administrative officer of the City, and of the City Council, as the governing body of the City, concerning the adoption, amendment and enforcement of ordinances or resolutions affecting the financial condition of the City as provided in the Home Rule City Act, Act 279, Public Acts of Michigan, 1909, as amended ("Act 279"); and

WHEREAS, Act No. 33, Public Acts of Michigan, 1951, as amended ("Act 33") authorizes townships, certain incorporated villages and certain qualified cities to create special assessment districts and to levy special assessments to pay for the costs and expenses of police and fire motor vehicles, apparatus, equipment and housing and police and fire protection (collectively, the "Costs of Public Safety"); and

WHEREAS, Act 33 provides that qualified cities are cities with a population of less than 15,000, and because the City's population was estimated to be approximately 11,300 in 2008, the City is a qualified city for purposes of Act 33, and

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Act 33 further provides that the procedures relating to the making, levying and collection of special assessments to pay for the Costs of Public Safety shall conform as near as practicable to proceedings provided for townships, under act No. 188, Public Acts of Michigan, 1954,

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as amended ("Act 188"), except that assessments may be paid in any number of equal annual installments, not exceeding 15; and

WHEREAS, under Act 33, the City's appropriation for fire motor vehicles, apparatus, equipment and housing in a 1-year period and the appropriation for police motor vehicles, apparatus and equipment and housing in a 1-year period, shall not exceed 10 mills each; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Financial Manager has caused to be prepared and has received the plans and cost estimates of the items and Costs of Public Safety to be included in the proposed special assessments; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Financial Manager desires to proceed further with the special assessments to cover certain Costs of Public Safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- The plans showing the items and estimated Costs of Public Safety shall be filed with the
 City Clerk and be made available for public examination.
- 2. The Emergency Financial Manager tentatively declares her intention for the City to make the special assessments for items and Costs of Public Safety described in Exhibit A attached hereto.
- 3. The Emergency Financial Manager hereby tentatively designates as the special assessment district against which the Costs of Public Safety is to be assessed, the lots and parcels of land more particularly described in Exhibit B attached hereto.
- 4. The Emergency Financial Manager shall hold a public hearing at the City Hall in the City on Δρλλ , 2010, at ω: ωω ο'clock ρ.m., prevailing Eastern Time, at which time and place the Emergency Financial Manager shall hear objections to the proposed special assessments and the Costs of Public Safety or the special assessment district therefor.
- 5. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of such hearing to be published twice prior to said hearing in *The News-Herald*, Southgate, Michigan, a newspaper of general

circulation in the City, the first publication to be at least ten (10) days before the time of hearing, and shall cause notice of said hearing to be mailed by first-class mail to all record owners of or persons in interest in property in the special assessment district as shown on the last City tax assessment records of the City at least ten (10) full days before the date of said hearing.

6. Said notice shall be in substantially the following form:

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR POLICE AND FIRE PUBLIC SAFETY COSTS AND EXPENSES BY THE EMERGENCY FINANCIAL MANAGER OF THE CITY OF ECORSE

TO ALL OWNERS OF THE FOLLOWING-DESCRIBED LANDS:

ALL PARCELS OF LAND SITUATED IN THE CITY OF ECORSE, COUNTY OF WAYNE AND STATE OF MICHIGAN

TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the provisions of Act 72, Public Acts of Michigan, 1990, as amended; Act 33, Public Acts of Michigan, 1954, as amended; and Act 188, Public Acts of Michigan, 1954, as amended, the Emergency Financial Manager (the "Emergency Financial Manager") of the City of Ecorse, County of Wayne, Michigan (the City") has tentatively declared the City's intention to proceed with the special assessments to cover certain police and fire public safety costs and expenses described as follows:

Proposed Budgets for Police and Fire Departments are shown as Exhibit A

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Emergency Financial Manager has tentatively declared the City's intention to pay such public safety expenses and tentatively designated the above-described premises as a special assessment district against which at least a part of the cost of said public safety expenses is to be assessed.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Emergency Financial Manager has caused to be prepared plans showing the police and fire public safety items and an estimate of the costs and expenses thereof, which have been filed with the City Clerk of the City, for public examination.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the public hearing will be held on Monday, the 12th day of April, 2010, at 6:00 o'clock p.m., prevailing Eastern Time, at the City Hall, 3869 W. Jefferson Avenue, Ecorse, Michigan, to hear objections to the police and fire public safety costs and expenses and to the proposed special assessment district therefor.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Emergency Financial Manager may determine to proceed to make said special assessment for police and fire public safety costs and expenses without an election unless the owners of at least 10% of the land to be made into the special assessment district file a petition calling for an election on the question of raising money by special assessment for such police and fire public safety costs and expenses with the City Clerk of the City, prior to the date the assessment roll for the special assessment is confirmed.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that appearance and protest at this hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the State Tax Tribunal if an appeal should be desired. A property owner or party in interest, or his or her agent, may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment or may file his or her appearance by letter delivered to the City Clerk at or prior to the meeting to be held on April 12, 2010 and his or her personal appearance shall not be required. The property owner or any person having an interest in the property subject to the proposed special

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assessments may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the State Tax Tribunal within thirty-five days after confirmation of the special assessment roll if that special assessment was protested at this hearing.

Robin Underwood, City Clerk

All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this 7. resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Emergency Financial Manager 3/22/10

EXHIBIT A

POLICE AND FIRE PUBLIC SAFETY COSTS AND EXPENSES OF THE CITY OF ECORSE

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EXHIBIT B

Special Assessment District

[insert description of proposed special assessment district]

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